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In this week's Economic Development Digest:

Georgia

- [Stiff regulations, high costs challenge Georgia's budding craft distilling industry](#), *Atlanta Business Chronicle* (March 13, 2015)
Georgia examines its "distillery-friendly environment" in order to compete with South Carolina, Florida and Tennessee for craft distilleries.
- [Environmental fights intensify at the Georgia Capital](#), *The Atlanta Journal-Constitution* (March 15, 2015)**
Georgia writes "new rules" about developing its coastal areas.

North Carolina

- [Incentives bill survives second vote](#), *Winston-Salem Journal* (March 5, 2015)
North Carolina legislature evaluates increasing state incentives.
- [A revealing moment in the debate over incentives](#), *The Pilot* (March 10, 2015)
North Carolina considers significantly expanding its Job Development Credit program.
- [New economic development group could keep more incentives records private](#), *Charlotte Observer* (March 15, 2015)
The new public-private partnership in North Carolina may be allowed to withhold more information about "failed recruiting efforts".
- [NC municipal leaders get positive vibes from McCrory](#), *The News & Observer* (March 19, 2015)
Governor McCrory spoke this week to the North Carolina League of Municipalities.
- [NC Senate, McCrory at odds on incentives, corporate taxes](#), *The News & Observer* (March 18, 2015)
North Carolina ponders a new economic development bill which would change how the state calculates corporate income taxes, creates incentives for an automotive manufacturers and which would redesign North Carolina's main jobs incentive program.

South Carolina

- [Darlington County considers business registration fee](#), *scnow.com* (March 16, 2015)
Darlington County, South Carolina considers a measure that could implement a fee on new and existing businesses in the county to support economic development efforts in Darlington County.

Virginia

- [In brewery deal, documents stay secret while awaiting signatures](#), *Richmond Times-Dispatch* (March 14, 2015)
Incentives for the Stone Brewing Co. project in Virginia gain attention.
- [Virginia bill requires data center enterprises to use single-sales-factor apportionment](#), *TaxAnalysts.com* (March 10, 2015)

Virginia SB 1142, signed into law as Chapter 92, requires taxpayers with enterprise data center operations to use single-sales-factor apportionment to apportion their Virginia taxable income if they enter an agreement with the Virginia Economic Development Partnership Authority to make a minimum investment of \$150 million on or after July 1, 2015.

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